# CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS

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#### **ADDENDUM #1**

## **INVITATION FOR BID #11-64**

## **OLD FARM ROAD WATER & SEWER IMPROVEMENTS**

## THIS ADDENDUM IS TO: **Answer the following Questions:**

Q1. There are bid items that are highly over-estimated. For example:

Bid item 4a – 4' Dia. Sewer manholes is estimated at 120 vf. My takeoff reveals 92 vf

Bid Item 17a – 1" Copper is estimated at 1020 lf. My takeoff reveals 650 lf.

Bid Item 17b and 17c are estimated at 40 ea. My takeoff reveals 29 each.

- A1. The estimated bid quantities were verified and appear to be accurate; however some items may contain a contingency of approximately 10-percent to accommodate unanticipated conditions.
- Q2. Bid item 9A Catch basin has an estimated quantity of 190 VF. Based on measurement and payment, actual quantity is about 90 vf. This is a huge discrepancy. Please adjust quantity to reflect actual.
  - A2. Measurement and payment for catch basins shall include sumps as shown on the catch basin detail, therefore please note the following:

On Page 106, paragraph I.b, Delete the text

"Payment for catch basins under the appropriate subdivision of this item shall be measured by the vertical foot from the invert of the catch basin at its center to the existing ground elevation prior to excavation."

And replace with:

"Payment for catch basins under the appropriate subdivision of this item shall be measured by the vertical foot from the bottom of the sump of the catch basin at its center to the existing ground elevation prior to excavation."

All other terms and conditions of this bid remain unchanged

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THIS ADDENDUM ON YOUR BID FORM.

Thank you.

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